

REMARKS

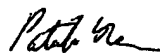
The claims have been amended to recite the use of operator feedback to a trained evaluation system, such as a neural network, to cause the system to reorganize itself to reach the correct decision when the automatic determination is incorrect. This feature is described in the application at, for example, paragraphs 32, 38, and 40, and is not taught or suggested by the prior art of record. Examination of the claims as amended is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

Respectfully submitted,


Patrick M. Boucher
Reg. No. 44,037

TOWNSEND and TOWNSEND and CREW LLP
Two Embarcadero Center, 8th Floor
San Francisco, California 94111-3834
Tel: 303-571-4000
Fax: 415-576-0300
PMB:pmb
60014594 v1